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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to a marriage income disregard in determining
2 family investment program eligibility and grant amounts.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 239B.7, Code 2022, is amended by adding
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 9. *Marriage income disregard.* In order
4 to encourage marriage among single-parent households and
5 assist those households when the child's parent living in the
6 household marries, the income of an individual whose needs were
7 not previously included in the household and who marries the
8 child's parent living in the household shall be disregarded for
9 a period of twenty-four consecutive months beginning the month
10 following the date of the marriage certificate.

11 EXPLANATION

12 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
13 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

14 This bill provides that in determining a family's income and
15 resources for purposes of the family's initial and continuing
16 eligibility for assistance and for determining grant amounts
17 under the family investment program, in order to encourage
18 marriage among single-parent households and assist those
19 households when the child's parent living in the household
20 marries, the income of an individual whose needs were not
21 previously included in the household and who marries the
22 child's parent living in the household shall be disregarded for
23 a period of 24 consecutive months beginning the month following
24 the date of the marriage certificate.